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GIVER OF MILLIONS.

So Modest That His Fame Has Never Gone Abroad.

William Deering's Beneficence Has Been Extensive and Soon He May Give Another Million to Northwestern University.

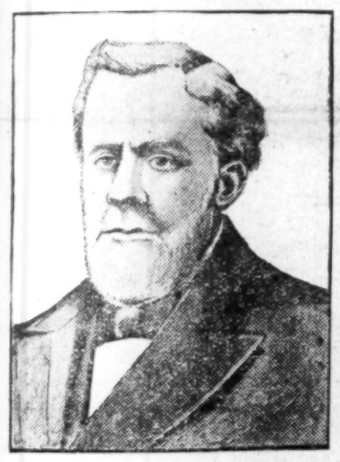
Reports that William Deering, the well-known harvester manufacturer of Chicago, has in contemplation a gift of $1,000,000 to Northwestern university, bring to light the fact that while this philanthropist has continuously for 20 years given thousands of dollars to educational institutions, churches and charities his beneficence practically has been kept a secret.

While he can hardly be placed beside Rockefeller in the total sums he has given, it is known that he has given away fortunes. Small, struggling colleges or churches, particularly of the Methodist denomination, for Mr. Deering always has been a warm supporter of the Methodist church and its institutions, have been helped by him when confronted with debts or mortgages without the fact being flashed over the wire and becoming public through the newspapers.

Some time ago Mr. Deering heard that his native town in Maine would like to have a library. He immediately wrote out a check sufficient to purchase one and maintain it without putting any obligations on the city.

Garrett Biblical institute, affiliated with Northwestern university, has been the recipient at various times of Mr. Deering's generosity. He has been president of the board of trustees of the institute and also held the same position on the university board. At one time he gave $5,000 to a seminary at Omarga, Ill. He endowed and built Fisk hall, which is occupied by the preparatory school at the university and built Willard hall, the girls' dormitory at Evanston, where the university is located.

He has regularly given from $2,000 to $5,000 to the city missionary and



WILLIAM DEERING.
(Chicago Philanthropist Who Does Much Good by Stealth.)

church extension societies in Chicago to support evangelistic work. He has given $150,000 to Wesley hospital, in Chicago, to erect a new building and make it a first-class medical institution. The hospital also is a Methodist institution. Northwestern university has received many times valuable land from Mr. Deering, which netted handsome return. The sums of money to Northwestern university range from $20,000 to $100,000, all given since the institution was founded. There are many other gifts that would make a long list.

Mr. Deering is the oldest and wealthiest friend of the university and the announcement that there will be a donation of $1,000,000 for endowment does not cause much surprise. According to information the gift is to be presented as soon as President James, who recently left the University of Chicago to assume management at Evanston, is found to meet Mr. Deering's approval, after reasonable time, from the viewpoint of the institution's welfare. The period of probation will not be long, as the manner in which President James grasped the situation as he found it has gone far to convince friends of the university that its future is safe with him.

Negotiations under way for the affiliation of Hedding college at Abington, Ill., with the Northwestern, are taken as an indication of the policy of expansion the institution is to pursue under the presidency of Dr. James.

For some time Mr. Deering has been in poor health. Recently he transferred to his sons his interest in the immense harvesting machine plant, and the real estate on which it stands, with the expressed intention of withdrawing from active business cares.

Marriage in Hindostan.

In Hindostan the arrangements for a wedding are made by the parents of the bride and bridegroom, who, when the alliance is agreed upon very likely behold one another for the first time. Then there is no appearance of reluctance about the bride, who playfully skips toward her future husband and seats herself beside him. The priest's part is to tie a corner of the bride's veil to the bridegroom's shawl, and this simple proceeding makes them legally husband and wife.

Engine Eloped with Him.

During the inspection of a new express engine at Louburg, on the Kiev-Poltava line, in Russia, an elderly priest mounted the foot-plate and inadvertently set the engine in motion. Messages were telegraphed along the line to keep it clear and eventually the engine came to a stop for want of water. The priest went mad with fright.

Why Ears Sometimes Burn.

"When our ears do glow and tingle some do talk of us in our absence," said Pliny, and though over 1,900 years have elapsed since his day the same superstition still holds good. Shakespeare refers to it in "Much Ado About Nothing" when he makes Beatrice say to Ursula and Hero, who had been speaking of her: "What fire is in mine ears?" The burning of the ears is supposed to be due to the agency of guardian angels, who touch the left ear if the talk be favorable, and the right if it be otherwise, in order that their charges may be encouraged or warned, as the case may be.

Bullets Made of Garnets.

Bullets made of precious stones are rarities in warfare. But during the fighting on the Kashmir frontier, when the British troops defeated the rebellious Hunzas, the natives used bullets of garnets incased in lead. The British preserved many as curiosities.

Still Keeps Strange Vow.

Among the Boer prisoners at Bermuda is one whose hair now reaches his shoulders. At the beginning of the war he vowed he would not have his locks cut until the Dutch had conquered in South Africa.

THEIR FIRST PUBLIC MEEETING.

The W. Calvin Chase Republican Club is Greeted With Large Crowd—Picnic and Barbacue in Greenwillow Park—A Distinguished Crowd Present—Good Speeches and Much Enthusiasm.

The W. Calvin Chase Republican Clubs, of Anacostia and Hillsdale held their first public meeting and baracue in Greenwillow Park, Hillsdale last Tuesday evening. This is one, if not the prettiest park in the city. Chairman A. R. Peters assisted by his committee and President R. H. Lewis fully demonstrated their power on last Tuesday evening. There were fully 350 people present and when Hoffman's celebrated orchestra played its overture, it was the siginal for the commencement of the exercises. Rev. A. S. Lucas called the meeting to order in a neat little speech and introduced Mr. W. Calvin Chase, for whom the clubs were named who stepped forward to the front of the platform and delivered a short address and said in part, that he thanked the citizens of Anacostia and Hillsdale for the distinguished honor that they had conferred upon him in naming the club for him, especially when he had to reflect back two years ago and only received one in this precinct and today these clubs named for him number 150 men, composed of the most influential and best citizens of Hillsdale. Mr. Chase discussed the affairs in the District government and hoped that the time would soon come when citizens of color would be recognized according to merit. After paying a tribute to Senator M. A. Hanna, and urging unison among the people he concluded his address amidst applause.

Mr. John W. Freeman was the next speaker. He gave some good advice to the young men and hoped that there were some among the many present who would reach the eminence of the late Frederick Douglass. His speech was sensible and logical.

Attorney Thomas L. Jones was the next speaker. Mr. Jones spoke for twenty-five minutes. His speech was one of the most eloquent that has ever been delivered by him. He said in part that the condition of the American negro was pitiful, and was made more so by the treachery of false leadership. He condemned the theory advanced by Booker T. Washington as humiliating and dangerous to the negro race. Loud and prolonged applause. At he conclusion of his speech several ladies remarked, "but that little man can talk." He received many congratulations. Prof. Hoffman's orchestra rendered music.

The committee invited the speakers and friends to an excellent supper that had been especially prepared for the occasion.

Committee of arrangements: A. R Peters, chairman; Norolin Tolliver, J. Foster, Henry Sayles, G. L. Robinson Charles H. Walker, Elias Banks, Levi Smith Frank B. Foster, Mason Reed, John H. Jones, Thomas Walker, Wm. H. Wilkerson, John W. Williams, Jr., Isaac Thornton, James E. Bayard, Henry Matthews. Officers: R. H. Lewis President; A. R. Peters, Vice President; J. W. Williams, Jr., Secretary; E. L. Hoffman, Treasurer; T. Smith, Segt-at-arms; W. H. Wilkerson, Chaplain.

Miss Nannie Burroughs Gives Us a Pointer.

It does seem that those 90,000 negroes in the District of Columbia are going to sit around there making faces at the white people and doing a good bit of nothing until they will have lost all power to protect their rights as citizens. The negative position taken by nineteenths of the Negroes on the school question and the separate car thrust is enough to disgust any manly man or woman. As soon as the Negroes of the District reached the place that they could manage their own schools, creditably, the whites of the city decided to teach them that with all of their boasted ability to manage, that they needed the eye of the white man upon them in every place. As soon the negroes became able to pay their way and travel like men in the railway cars they found it necessary to teach us that our money would not buy in solid comfort as much as the white man's money.

The District of Columbia has negro men and women who can manage creditably not only the best negro schools of this country, but the best white schools. Now is the time for every man or woman who has passed through the schools there to put themselves on record as openly opposed to the under hand method resorted to by the school authorities to steal into our most sacred places ere we are aware. The more capable we become the more unwilling the whites seem to trust us. Why this proficient management will not reveal any of their defects. It is our hope that the negroes of Washington will not sit down and let everything flow from them without any effort to hold on to some of the good things that have come to us through merit and merit alone

Another matter: For some time I have watched affairs internal I find that some changes in the management of the Business High School had been contemplated. What this is for no one seems to know. It has been six years since I finished the Business Department of the High School and they have been six years of unlimited success in all I attempted for good. No department of that school has done more practical good for the world than has the Business Department and yet it is the Department to which less attention has been given. Some short sighted semicivilized person even said it was nonsense to have a Business Department in colored schools. This implies that negroes need not know anything about business. This implies that they must remain forever a cipher in the commercial world. Well, there are some negroes, a kind of fungus growth, who are just about lazy enough to think that thing, when they think at all.

Do away with the Business Department and you will do away with the back bone of our future prosperity. The men and women who have charge of affairs in the High School will have to learn a thing or two. Some how they intentionally or unintentionally attempt to make the business department of the High School a side issue. The pupils while in school are not accorded the same courtesies that the pupils of the other departments are accorded and even when we are out of school the teachers bother little or not at all as to whether we get anything to do or not. We are not asking them to hunt us jobs but there are times when a word from them would have meant much. They have yet to turn their hands to help the pupils of that department to get on their feet after they finish. They know little or nothing as to the records we are making out in the world nor do they seem to care. Gabriel will have to use his rumpet to locate us for them. They seem to feel that the business pupils are a job lot of scrubs who will amount to nothing in the world, or that we are the extreme end or after thought or missing link in the plan of education. Many young men and women take the course because they have too much manhood or womanhood in them to sit around waiting for a pitiful fifty dollar school teachers job to pull up by, a job in which he must stand with hat in hand, knee bent and body bowed until the "appointment" comes.

All of the brains in the world are not sitting around with their feet under the school room desks nor are they preparing to put them under there. There are young men and women who come out from our Business Departments worth more to that school and the world than fifty Normal Graduates sitting around six months waiting for their "pet jobs" or loafing if they get them not. What that school must aim to produce is men and women who will come out prepared to enter life and hew their way. There is no department better fitted to do this than the Business Department from which pupils who come expect to appeal to their own powers for salvation. Yours for the highest development of Christian womanhood.

NANNIE H. BURROUGHS.
Louisville, Ky., July, 1902.

COLORED LAWYER BEFORE SUPREME COURT.

Obtained Order Reversing Judgement Against Client.

From the Newark Evening News.

Trenton, June 11.—George A. Douglass, of Newark is the first colored lawyer to appear before the Supreme Court of this State and makes an augument, and obtained an order reserving judgment againt his client. Charles Minor, who had been convicted before Justice of the Peace Geo. E. De Camp of Essex County for taking garbage into the township of Livingston without first having obtained a permit for the purpose from the Board of Health. Minor was arrested on complaint of the Board of Health of Livingston Township, and, after hearing the testimony of a great array of witnesses, Justice of the Peace DeCamp fined him $25 and costs for violating the ordinance. Mr. Douglass had the case reversed on purely technical grounds. His first point was that the complaint did not specify in what particular the ordinance had been violated. The proceeding being a penal action, he contended, Minor was entitled to have been fully advised of the alleged violations. After listening to Mr. Douglass argument, and John H. Grannis, the attorney for the Board of Health, not putting in an appearance, Justice Dixon made an order reversing the judgment against Minor, with costs.

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MEN OF MEANS.

Thomas A. Walker, a wealthy Hardin county, Iowa, stockman, landed in New York city in 1838 with but 24 cents, and still posseses the identical 24 cents, which he will retain as a valuable heirloom for his children's children.

Alexander McDowell, clerk of the house of representatives at Washington, although at present a banker and capitalist, was at one time a poor compositor on an Oil City, Pa., weekly. He is fond of telling how he laid the foundation of his fortune.

Senator Warren, although at present surrounded by all the luxury of the prosperous man, delights in telling stories of the days when his bed was a pine box filled with hay in an attic and when he had to get up every morning at three o'clock, feed the cows, split a lot of wood before breakfast and then walk three miles to school.

A friend of William C. Whitney the other day spoke of the latter gentleman's lavish style of entertainment. Mr. Whitney said in reply: "I have the money and can afford the expenditure. It is the duty of every rich man to spend as much as he can afford, and that is my way of helping those less fortunate than myself. Better give employment than give alms."

The July number, "Book of the Royal Blue," published by the Passenger Department of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, contains an unusual amount of information on various subjects interesting to all classes of readers.

This little magazine, which has made its appearance regularly every month since September, 1898, has found a field entirely its own unlike any similar publication. Although a railroad publication, its contents cover a broad sphere, and each number endeavors to have one article at least of such value as to make it worthy of any library for a matter of reference.

This special number is dedicated principally to the Grand Army of the Republic on account of the encampment to be held in Washington next October. An elaborate illustrated article explaining in detail the Electrical Third Rail system of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad will be of great interest to the scientific world. Another article treats of the railroad ticket as a commodity in comparison with other purchaseable articles, specifically showing how a small amount of money can be well invested from western points in a ticket to Washington during the Grand Army Encampment.

The number also contains a reprint of another one Colonel A. K. McClure's famous letters to the Chicago *Inter-Ocean*, which are extremely interesting and valuable as well.

The magazine is free to the public when application is made direct in person to the principal ticket agents of the road, and is sent by mail to any address for five cents per copy.

This Dog Chews Tobacco.

"Old Peter Jenkins, of our town, has the only tobacco-chewing dog I ever heard of," says a Bristol (Pa.) man in the Philadelphia Record. "The dog is now over ten years old, and, so far as anybody knows, he has been a slave to the habit ever since he was a puppy. Peter himself says he doesn't remember how the pup acquired the taste; maybe he was born with it. At any rate, Peter never takes a chew without offering one to the dog if he is around, and the dog never refuses. If Peter should happen to forget he would soon be forcibly reminded of his oversight. It is a curious thing to see the dog lying with his head in his paws, working his jaws over a juicy quid. He swallows it, too, and it never seems to make him sick."

THE REIGN OF THE TILLMANS.

"Has Brought All South Carolina's Riffraff to the Surface." Only 10,000 Negroes Are Now Permitted to Vote.

From the Cleveland, O., Plaindealer.

"The Tillman reign has brought to the surface all the riff-raff of South Carolina. There was nothing like the present disfranchisement of the negro, nor were lynchings so common before the Tillmans came into power," said Hon. E. H Deas, of Darlington, S. C., yesterday. Mr. Deas is chairman of the state Republican committee and is spending a few days in Cleveland during which time he is to deliver an address on the conditions of the negro in the South. The address is to be given at Shiloh Baptist church on Sterling avenue this evening.

Mr. Deas has considerable colored blood in his veins and is an active worker in the interest of his race in the South. He believes he has good cause to hate the Tillman faction, for he bears on his face deep scars from knife wounds which he said he received at the hands of the Tillman followers a few years ago,

The disfranchisement of the negro in South Carolina has been almost completely brought about, according to Mr. Deas, by the constitution of 1895. Of 160,000 voters, who would, under ordinary conditions be entitled to the ballot, only about 10 000 are able to pass the rigorous registration examination. Mr. Deas says the farcical nature of this examination is shown by the fact that in recent investigation several of the supervisors of registration were unable to explain the very passages of the constitution which they had submitted to the candidates. Mr. Deas said the poorest and most illiterate white is given the vote while the educated negro is generally denied it by the unfair and prejudiced election boards.

"The Tillmans gained control of South Carolina politics about ten years ago," said Mr. Deas, "and since that time there has been an era of oppression and injustice toward the negro, which was unknown before. Senator Tillman is constantly losing ground however. The better element in the state is tired of him."

"What effect did his attack upon Senator MacLaurin have?" Mr, Deas was asked.

"I think most of the people, Republicans and Democrats alike, were glad of it. McLaurin is a traitor. He has betrayed every party, every faction of a party, and every friend he ever had and is thereby discredited at home."

Up to a recent date Mr. Deas was assistant internal revenue collector, but resigned on the appointment of George Koester as a revenue collector of South Carolina, because Mr. Koester, Mr. Deas says, had at one time assisted in the lynching of several colored men. Under ordinary conditions Mr. Deas does not think race tension is high in South Carolina. The disfranchisement question he considers to be a vital one and the administration is open to serious criticism for its lack of attention to this matter. He cites the scars he bears as evidence of the length to which some of the southern whites will go to keep the negro out of politics.

Arabs Free from Headache.

Headaches rarely assail the Bedouin Arabs. They are nearly all small eaters, and six or seven dates soaked in melted butter, with a very small quantity of coarse flour or three or four tablespoonfuls of boiled rice, serve a man a whole day.

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TAKING THE THRONE

In Great Britain a Lot of Red Tape Is Required.

Formalities to Be Gone Through With in Case of a New Sovereign—Medieval Customs of Proclamation.

Even though the heir and successor of a British sovereign may be sitting at the bedside of that sovereign when death comes, as was the case at the death of Queen Victoria, the new ruler is not officially notified of the fact that he has succeeded to the throne until the announcement is made to him by the lord chamberlain. This is the first step taken when a British ruler dies.

At the earliest possible moment the privy council convenes, the members of that body resign and are immediately reappointed and resworn. At their first meeting as advisers of the new sovereign the members of the cabinet formally give up their seals of office, whereupon they also are resworn to their respective departments.

Both houses of parliament meet and the announcement of the death of the sovereign and the accession of his or her successor is followed by each member of both houses, beginning with the royal dukes in the house of lords, taking the oath of allegiance to the new ruler. Thus, while the ministry, consisting of the leaders of the political party in power resigns—being immediately reappointed—no election for members of the house of commons is called, and the business of the country is not interrupted.

At the first meeting of the privy council the new sovereign chooses the title by which he or she shall be known, and takes the oath of allegiance before receiving those of his or her councilors. This royal oath practically is a promise to rule according to the letter and spirit of the constitution and an acknowledgment of fidelity to the

THE PRINCE OF WALES.
(Heir Apparent to the Throne of Great Britain.)

Protestant form of the Christian religion.

In these days it is followed by a promise to maintain in its privileges the church of Scotland, where a form of the Presbyterian faith, and not the Episcopal denomination, is "the church by law established."

The formal proclamation of the new king is worded by the members of the privy council, who, "with one voice and consent of tongue and heart, declare and proclaim the high and mighty prince, etc. This proclamation is given to the earl marshal, the chief of the herald's college, for promulgation.

In London the medieval custom of proclaiming the accession not only in such public places as Trafalgar square and the Royal Exchange but also within the limits of "the city" proper (the peculiar domain of the lord mayor) is maintained.

On the occasion of the ascension of King Edward VII. the delegation from the herald's college consisted of three kings at arms, four heralds and eight pursuivants, dressed in magnificent costumes. These, accompanied by a detachment of the royal horse guards, marched to Temple Bar and formally demanded admission within the precincts of the city.

The barrier, consisting of a silken rope in place of the ancient gate, was removed and the contingent was met by one almost as brilliant, consisting of the city marshal, the city remembrancer, mace bearers, trumpeters, etc., who conducted the visitors to where the lord mayor and sheriffs, in full robes, awaited them in their state carriages. The proclamation was read and the city officials replied that they also, "with one voice and consent of tongue," pledged their allegiance.

Refrigeration for Consumptives.

A Russian medical man proposes to establish a sanitarium for consumptives in the polar regions. He has observed that the members of exploration parties returning from the polar regions are always in perfect health, owing to the purity of the air and complete absence of all harmful microbes. In the polar regions bronchitis, laryngitis, influenza and other contagious diseases are unknown.

They Say.

Some people are fools.

Good friends are hard to find.

The politician South, has lost his leadership.

There are some great men in the world.

Senator Hanna is the winning man.

There will be a shaking up in the dry bones.

The democratic party is preparng for the fight.

Col. Bryan will give them trouble.

President Roosevelt has a good opinion of the Wizzard.

Some men like others because they can be used.

The world is full of sin.

The southern politicians will have to take a back seat.

When you think you are doing the best you are doing nothing

Your pretended friends will stab you in the back.

Is there to be no unity among colored attorneys

Don't pass your friends and pretend that you don't see them.

You may need them some day when you are in trouble.

The man who knows a friend will keep him.

Don't be carried away by new faces.

The truest friend is the one when you need him.

Speak the truth always and then you will have no cause to fear.

The man who comes to you with a tale is a deceiver.

The truth is easy to tell when you are honest.

Speak well of your friends.

This is a world in which good men should act.

Dr. J. H. M. Waring, and Dr. Bruce Evans would make good superintendents of the schools.

The Board of Education could do something for the people.

Who will be the next presidential nominee.

Prof. Booker T. Washington ought to give the country a rest.

Let us live in peace.

Who leads the negro?

Washington the Wizzard of the South.

Has the negro a leader.

Why certainly.

Is the race in need of a leader?

If you are right don't fail to act.

Friendship is a jewel and you should never lose it.

Think of those who are your friends.

The colored commission is dead.

The bill is a dead letter.

There are lots of puddle dogs in this city.

If you have never seen a fice dog listen when he barks at THE BEE.

Only small dogs bark at THE BEE.

They are harmless.

They must bark at big things to let other dogs know that they are alive.

Keen Observation.

"Do you know anything about the people who have moved next door?" she inquired.

"Not much," he answered; "except that their honeymoon is not yet over."

"How did you find that out?"

"By observing. It was raining when he came home this evening, but she did not make him stop at the front door to wipe his feet."—Washington Star.

What He Would Need.

"My friend," exclaimed the eloquent minister, "were the average man to turn and look himself squarely in the eyes and ask himself what he really needed most, what would be the first reply suggested to his mind?"

"A rubber neck!" shouted the precocious urchin in the rear of the room.—Tit-Bits.

WHEN MEN PROPOSE.

They All Have Sheepish Ways and Look Absurdly Silly.

One Girl, Who Ought to Know, Tells How Various Sorts of Male Creatures Pop the Momentous Question.

A girl who can no longer be counted young, and who has been constantly courted and frequently loved, is convinced that the ways of proposing are as numerous as are the different types of men who propose. She has her suitors classified, and knows each by the class to which he belongs.

"Some propose flippantly, lightly, as if they invited you to luncheon instead of matrimony," she says, in the Chicago Tribune. "They appear to be preparing to hedge if they get 'no' for an answer, and to say that they were only fooling, and really didn't mean what they said. There are others, straightforward, manly, and honorable, who take 'no' with such serious grace that they win your respect and liking even if they cannot win your love.

"Many men propose on their knees, some sneak back in the corner of a sofa, while others stand up boldly, as though they were interviewing you on a business proposition. But it makes little difference what attitude a man selects to propose, he always looks funny. Men have such a dazed and dazzled expression under such conditions that they look as if they had been struck right between the eyes. I believe science asserts that Cupid strikes somewhere on the left side.

"Only once during my experience has a man descended to his knees in proposing to me. This one had on white duck trousers, and he knelt down in the dusty path in which we were walking. His mother would have spanked him had she been there. When he got up there was a great, black spot on each knee.

"The length of time it takes a man to propose, after he has first met the

"YOU'VE GOT TO MARRY ME."

girl, depends upon the nature of the man, the climate, the weather, the surroundings, the moon, the state of his mind, and a little bit on the way the girl treats him. Sometimes they propose all of a sudden, without any treatment at all beforehand. If the moon is full and the man is not, the average man should be expected to propose within 15 days after he has first met the girl. If he sees her three times a day, for three hours at a time, he can usually become well acquainted with her nature and all her little characteristics in that time, provided the girl is simple, as is apt to be the case.

"Few women are complex. It isn't important whether the girl understands the man's nature or not. But, anyway, she can learn it in no time at all, because all men are alike. They mostly all are brainy, and can smoke and love with equal ease. There are men who say, fiercely, as if they were really desperate: 'Will you, or won't you marry me?' That sort of men are not much good, because you can't flirt with them and keep them dangling. They make you say either 'yes' or 'no' right away. You can't fool them.

"There are many ways in which a girl can tell that a man is going to propose before he does. First, there is the tone in his voice. Then his eyes always follow you about the room in the most admiring, adoring way. He looks at you with a vague, far-away gaze, as if he really saw a vision, or an angel: but he thinks he does, so let him alone. At this stage he wouldn't even dare to call you 'darling.' But he has other ways of showing how he likes you. Sometimes he drops little hints about his ideal of a woman. He says he never met her—until now. Again, he makes allusions to his income, and says he supposes it seems so little to you. Some men propose by showing you their bank books, and saying: 'Will that be enough?'

"The only way to propose is the old way—the way Adam must have proposed to Eve, before there was any money, or reason, or anything in the world but—love. Go to her and say: 'You've got to marry me because I love you and you love me, and I can't live without you.' And that style of proposal is always in fashion."

Three Steps to Perdition.

An intimate friend was unceremoniously ushered into the presence of two ladies in Paris upon whom he had called. To his surprise, he found them drinking brandy. Upon expressing his amazement, they said that brandy had been recommended to them as a capital preventive against cholera, and that first they took it with water and then they took it without water, and now they took it like water.

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A GREAT MONUMENT.

The Hieroglyphic Stairway Found at Copan, Honduras.

Finest Specimen of Aboriginal American Architecture in Existence—Its Beauty Is a Puzzle to Archaeologists.

The remarkable hieroglyphic stairway at Copan, in Honduras, not far from the boundary of Guatemala, is in many ways the most important and interesting monument of aboriginal American architecture that has ever been brought to light by the excavations of the archaeologist. Ten years ago it was practically unknown, but since then it has been uncovered and studied as a whole by the various Copan expeditions of the Peabody museum of American archaeology and ethnology at Harvard, under the direction of George B. Gordon, whose elaborate report on the discovery and restoration of the stairway—just issued to subscribers by the museum authorities—affords much incidental information concerning a memorable prehistoric civilization that may prove to be older than even the Assyrian or the Egyptian—that of the ancient Maya people which once dwelt in the plains and valleys of Central America.

How many hundreds—or thousands—of years old the hieroglyphic stairway really is, even the archaeologist hardly ventures to guess. It is a principal feature of the ruined acropolis of what is known to be one of the most ancient cities on the American continent, the annals of which, however, were no more than a shadowy legend even when the Spaniards came to Mexico; and in spite of the fact that the steps of the stairway carry, graven in a series of picture characters or hieroglyphics, what is apparently some kind of a continuous chronological record, these "glyps" are still, for the most part, quite undecipherable, and the record which they contain is as yet little more than an archaeological puzzle—though to solve it might

ABORIGINAL SCULPTURE.
(Rare Work of Art Discovered at Copan, in Central America.)

well mean the opening up of a chapter of history as romantic as it is mysterious.

At one end of the main structure of Copan, as the acropolis of the city is called, a broad pyramid, which at one time was crowned by some public building—a temple or palace—rises to a height of about 85 feet. On the western slope of this pyramid is the hieroglyphic stairway, originally affording access from a square or plaza below to the temple above and a system of terraced courts beyond. At some time in the past, however, a landslide swept away the symmetry of two large faces of the pyramid and brought down the upper steps of the great staircase in an almost indistinguishable mass of debris which completely buried the lower stairs, so that when Mr. Gordon first visited Copan the whole plan of the stairway was entirely obliterated, and the pyramid itself was little more than an overgrown mound of earth and broken stones.

Four entire seasons were required to bring something like order out of this chaos. From 50 to 100 laborers were at one time constantly employed, and the fragments which were removed covered an acre of ground. Every important fragment was carefully molded, and the molds shipped to Cambridge in order that some day a restoration of the whole staircase may be made and set up in the Peabody museum. Only 15 of the 40 or 50 upper steps which went down in the landslide retained in any degree their identity or their relative positions, however.

Hedgehog Kills a Viper.

A resident at Versailles, M. Guignet, sends to Nature a vivid account of a duel he saw between a hedgehog and a viper. The two enemies knew very well at first sight who was who, and eyed each other as if they knew a moment's inattention would be fatal. The viper was the first to get tired of gazing and it began to glide away. Just then the hedgehog rushed for the viper's tail, and having nailed it fast with his teeth, it rolled itself up. The hedgehog was very careful, however, not to cut the tail off. The viper curled back, and delivered furious assaults on its aggressor, wrestling and rolling with the curled-up hedgehog all over the place. At length the snake, wounded in a hundred places, died. The hedgehog began its repast on the tail of its victim, and was careful not to eat the head.

Attentive Bible Reader.

From early youth Ambrose S. Ottey, of Cecil county, Md., has been an attentive reader of the Bible. He has read it from beginning to end 117 times, and informs us that it contains 1,189 chapters, 31,198 verses, 773,697 words, and 3,566,480 letters.

FIGHT FOR LIBERTY

Three Moonshiners Trapped by Internal Revenue Men.

The Story of a Typical Meeting of Officers of the Government and Illicit Distillers—Exciting Midnight Battle.

Standing out in the firelight, plain marks for the antagonists, Internal Revenue Agent R. A. Hancock and Special Deputy Jeff Cundiff fought three hidden moonshiners and killed one, says the Louisville Courier-Journal. The exciting midnight battle took place on Big Meeting creek, in Hordin county. Asa Humble, a young fellow just 21, fell because he wouldn't run. After the fight they found him with two empty chambers in his pistol and the weapon half-cocked. Maj. Hancock bears an ugly red welt on his face, where a bullet scraped the cheek.

Asa Humble was one of a gang that has been making "moonshine" in that vicinty for some time. A few weeks ago Maj. Hancock and Jeff Cundiff thought they had located the still. It was in a cave that opened out from the bottom of a sink-hole within a few yards of the county road. To enter the cave meant almost certain death, but Maj. Hancock and Cundiff determined to try.

They crept out one dark night and dropped down into the hole. Just the length of a man's leg down in the hole was a ladder that dropped away into darkness. Without a light and silently as possible, the two men climbed down the ladder into the unexplored cave, not knowing what might be awaiting them. Once in the cave, they used dark lanterns. It so happened that the moonshiners were not there, so the officers, after exploring the cave, noting the moonshiners' plans for defense and securing evidence to show who were members of the gang, crept away without disturbing anything. The

SAW THE MEN AT WORK.

moonshiners had hidden the worm and still too securely for the searchers to find them.

Nothing more was heard of the gang until Jeff Cundiff got information that the outfit was located on Big Meeting creek, four miles north of Big Clifty. Maj. Hancock left town Monday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock for Big Clifty. Jeff Cundiff met him with five possemen. The party left Big Clifty at 10:30 o'clock Monday night, going north. It was about midnight when they came into the neighborhood of the still.

Creeping as close as they could by taking advantage of the ground the officers from a distance of 25 feet watched the 'shiners at work. There were three of them, and they were just preparing to stop for the night. Hancock and Cundiff crept up to 15 feet, and then suddenly stepping out into the light wih their pistols drawn.

"Surrender in the name of the government!"

Two moonshiners jumped back into the shadow of the cliff, the third leaped sidewise and crouched behind the worm. And then three shots rang out together. A bullet seared Maj. Hancock's face, spinning him around.

Jeff Cundiff's pistol had already begun to work. As the old soldier straightened his hand went up and his 44-caliber Colt spoke out, with the deputy's gun. The two were standing straight up in the firelight, plain marks themselves, and with only the flashes of their antagonists' pistols to shoot at. For a minute it was like the sound of a corporal's squad firing at will, then the two moonshiners who had jumped back against the cliff broke away and ran down stream.

The boy crouching behind the worm only took more careful aim at the officers. In another instant the firing was over, the boy was dead.

The men who had run brushed past the guards on the lower path, taking a pot shot as they ran past, and escaped.

Maj. Hancock and Jeff Cundiff examined the young man who had fallen. He was dead, with a bullet hole through the lower part of his head. Both recognized him as Asa Humble, one of the men for whom they were searching. Next, while some of the posse laid him out as decently as they could others destroyed the still.

When the Kaiser Gets Mad.

Emperor William of Germany speaks six languages fluently, but when he is angry, and adorns his conversation with profane expletives, his terrified listeners think he is speaking in 16 languages all at once.

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SNAKE LIKED JABEZ.

Rattler's Loyalty to the Man Who Had Saved Its Life.

Literally Torn in Two by Conflicting Emotions—Lesson in Reptilian Nature That Should Make Better Men of Us.

A New York World correspondent, writing from Bowersox, Coke county, Pa., under recent date, reports that Jabez W. Posthanger, the famous trapper of Silent Woman creek, came to town this morning for his annual supply of stores. He brought with him, among other things, half of a small snakeskin concerning which he tells the following veracious story:

"I was coming home from setting my traps one morning along about the first of April," says Jabez, "when I heard a frightful row in the bushes, like as if a wildcat was throwing a fit and then trying to pick it up again. I opened the brush, and there, in a little clearing, was the queerest sight you ever struck.

"In the middle of the clearing was a little rattlesnake, not mor'n three foot long. Around him on the ground lay the torn and mangled bodies of 12 blacksnakes, not one of 'em less than twice as big as he was. And 12 more of the same size was still fighting him. He'd evidently wandered into a nest of gigantic blacksnakes and had been attacked by the whole shooting match.

"He was fighting plenty, unappeased and tempestuous, and he'd killed half his foes, but any fool could see at a glance that the others would be too many for him, for he was breathing hard and his eye was glazing.

"Well, his pluck tickled me so much I just rushed in and scattered those assailants of his every which way. Then I started home.

"But that little snake I'd saved was chock full of gratitude. He followed me home like a dog, and slept on the threshold. I couldn't drive him away.

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VICTIM OF HIS EMOTIONS.

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"That wasn't but one of the many slick tricks he had.

"Well, along about May, when spring set in, Simon Cameron began to grow sad. I could see he longed to be back in the hills among his own kind, and yet his loyalty to me kept him at the cabin.

"One morning he didn't wake me up as usual. I couldn't find him till late that afternoon. Then I came across a torn half of his body just outside the door. You see it was this way:

"His wild nature had drawn him back to the hills. His loyalty to me had held him where he was, and I'll be golblasted if them two conflicting attractions, one drawing him each way, hadn't pulled him clean in half.

"And you can bet your hopes of crops, gentlemen," finished Jabez, tearfully, "that I'll never, so long as I live, part with the loyal half I've still got. It's a lesson in snake nature that ought to make better men of us all."

Married in a Lion's Den.

A wedding took place in a lions' den at Reading, Pa., during the progress of the great elks' carnival. The high contracting parties were Capt. Delancier, African explorer, and Miss Malka Williams. The den—the lions were mild ones—was moved into the center of the midway, and the bride and bridegroom entered the cage. Several thousand people gathered to witness the ceremony. Rev. George W. Brownback was the officiating clergyman, but he did not enter the den. He stood comfortably and safely outside the bars, and did all that was required from that vantage point. It was all over in five minutes and the wedded couple moved into safety.

Killed by Streak of Luck.

A poor widow in Paris, who kept a small shop, received a letter informing her that she had won $25,000 in a lottery. The violent emotion caused by the good news resulted in her death, as she was found stiff in her chair with the letter in her hand.

Premature Burial Prevented.

To distinguish death from catalepsy, Dr. Icard, of Marseilles, injects fluoresein into the veins. If there is any circulation, in two minutes the body will turn grass green, but the color will pass away in two hours without causing any harm.

REWARDS OF PUBLIC LIFE.

Carter H. Harrison, Mayor of Chicago, Discusses the Subject in Its Various Phases.

From the financial standpoint it doesn't pay to be famous or succeed in politics, provided a man is in politics to be honest. If he goes into politics to make money, I presume it can be made to pay. But there is something more than money in the consciousness of having served the people faithfully and of a public duty well performed. There is something in being elected to and holding a public office that makes a man feel he is somebody and that he has done something that will not permit him to be forgotten. It tickles his vanity.

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Sometimes a cloud comes over the sky; he feels that his efforts to serve the public have not been appreciated, and he wants to give up the office and quit public life forever. Then as another election approaches the sun comes out, the sky is flooded with light, and he feels that he has not labored in vain. There is also a pleasurable excitement in winning a victory in a battle at the polls. It exhNarates a man and pours a flattering unction on his soul.

If I had performed the same services that I have for Chicago for some corporation similar in size and extent they would be worth $35,000 to $40,000 a year. The worry and work would be no greater and the responsibility less. Men like Corporation Counsel Walker, Comptroller McGann and Commissioner Blocki perform services worth four times as much as they are paid. Large corporations pay larger salaries than public officials are paid, but the personal gratification in holding a public office is worth more than money to a man who loves the plaudits of an appreciative public.

ARCHBISHOP IRELAND.

Minnesota Prelate May Succeed to the Late Mgr. Corrigan's See and Become a Cardinal.

Archbishop John Ireland, of St. Paul, whose name is prominently mentioned in Rome as a candidate for the archbishopric of the vacant see of New York, has long been discussed as a probable cardinal, to which his transfer to Archbishop Corrigan's seat would be a natural step. The distinguished prelate of St. Paul is 64 years old. He was born in Ireland and came to America in his boyhood, going at

ARCHBISHOP IRELAND.
(Possible Candidate for the Vacant See of New York.)

once to St. Paul, where he was educated at the cathedral school. He studied theology in France, was ordained priest on December 21, 1861, consecrated a bishop in 1875, and became archbishop a few years subsequently. Mgr. Ireland is a broad-gauge, liberal, cultured and distinctly modern churchman, who has friends in every American city. His transfer east would please many persons in and near Washington.

Wealth Left to Rooster.

A wealthy woman, named Silva, recently died at Lisbon and left her entire property to a rooster. She was a fervid spiritualist, a believer in the transmigration of souls, and imagined that the soul of her dead husband had entered the rooster. She caused a special fowl house to be built and ordered her servants to pay extra attention to their "master's" wants. The disgust of her realtives over the will caused the story to become public, and a lawsuit might have followed had not one of the heirs adopted the simple expedient of having the wealthy rooster killed, thus becoming himself next of kin.

Why They Oppose Polygamy.

General gloom prevails among the subjects of Morocco's sultan when he decides to marry, as everybody is expected to contribute a wedding present.

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Dead, Dead.

If we are to accept outward indications as evidence of inward conditions, then things among the "pressmen" are becoming "queer." The authorship of the late "Inquiry Bill," or rather a bill to inquire into the moral, intellectual, material, religious, industrial, commercial and political condition of the colored people of the United States, seems, if we are to judge from the pros and cons on the subject, as gleaned from our exchanges, to be shrouded in impenetrable gloom. Just why the authorship should be the matter in boiling controversy is a subject for sober minded people to wonder at, but perhaps the authorship was the whole push and the shuffle was for that distinction. Some contend that the phraseology was loose and lacked technicality and legislative ear-marks; others that the bill was ungramatically drawn, while others are of the opinion that the bill was reported from copy. But whatever may be the case, the authorship has caused great contention. But why should we trouble ourselves about the bill? The thing did not pass, and whether it was drawn up by the wrong man or whether it had the wrong ring or whether it was ungramatical, seems but little to the purpose. Whether the bill died from inanition, suicide or just because there was not a particle of sense or reason in it one way or the other, cuts no figure. The bill is dead, dead, dead. And may the ressurrection be long deferred.

The Negro Leader.

This is the first administration since the organization of the republican party that one man has been selected to supervise all negro leaders and politicians.

Booker T. Washington is the man from whom all negro leaders and politicians must receive an indorsement before their names are even considered by the administratin. Just think of it.

Men like Capt. J. W. Lyons, Col. W A. Pledger of Georgia, John C, Dancy of North Carolina and other State representatives and national characters must now bow to the national American apologist before their names are considered by the administration.

Washington has been given the responsible position of high lord constable and generalissimo.

We are tabulating a statement of the material condition of the colored people. From present progress, we have no hesitency in predicting—that all the estimates here tofore made will be thrown in the shade. The colored man in Washington pays more taxes and owns more real estate than his white brother, considered from the standpoint of income and opportunities. We propose soon to show that the people here are not as bad as represented.

The complications growing out of the Philippine policy, recently adopted, are by no means promising. It looks like the Pope is preparing to show his power and "call the hand" of the Administration as it relates to the representatives of the Church in the newly possessed islands. It will be a smart feat to sail unharmed between Scilla and Charibdis. The issue calls for honest statemanship and politics. There can be no dodging here.

If the present Administration can hope to obtain the respect of the colored voter, it would be well to direct attention toward the discrimnations now practiced in some of the Bureaus touching promotion and call a halt. The policy of constantly discrediting the merits and ability of colored people may call forth the false compliments from political enemies, but it wont catch votes. There is nothing like being fair.

The industrial fight thickens. Large interest are being tied up; the people at large are being injured and yet, the people are so blind as not to see in it all a Trust more formidible tyranical than yet organized. If the colored people were given the opportunity, the situation would soon be relieved. The colored man wants the worth of his labor, but envy and jealousy are not considered parts of it.

The great number of picnics and excursions, suggests much suffering among our poorer classes this winter. We spend our cash for the privilege of seeking pleasure and are content to starve or beg during winter. More economy should be exercised, if we would avoid serious hardships and privations this winter.

The Boers are returning home from their prisons, grateful for the privilege of seeing home and friends once more, but still holding in their hearts and wills the determination to keep in tact a Dutch government sustained and controlled by the Dutch people.

Now that the Rhodes scholarships apply to the District, it will be interesting to note with what assiduility it will be sought to see that white candidates and white only, shall receive the scholarships. All the same, it is the duty of the managers of the colored schools to see to it that the whites have no good or just grounds for preferment.

HAD HIS SYMPATHY.

Why a London Police Inspector Stood Up for a Man Who Had Left His Wife.

An excited middle-aged lady bounced into a London police station the other day and accosted the inspector on duty.

"Where's my Jim?" she demanded.

"Beg pardon, madam—dog, I presume?" said the officer.

"Don't you think to presume nothing of the kind," snapped the lady. "Dog, indeed! No, sir, husband—my husband. He's missing, disappeared, decamped—"

"You don't say so?"

"But I'd have you to understand that I do say so, young man. How dare

"HOW DARE YOU!"

you sit there and flatly contradict a ratepayer—leastways, the lawful wife of one? I'll report you, sir. Do you hear that? I'll report you. Where's my husband?"

"My dear madam—"

"How dare you call me your dear madam? Do you think I come here to be insulted? I tell you my husband has decamped, and you sit there like a dummy. What do you think of that?"

"Well, madam," responded the polite inspector, "I haven't the pleasure of your husband's acquaintance, but I should say he's a very wise man. Constable Brown, show this lady out!"

Invisible Bank Cameras.

An invisible camera is always ready for use on a gallery of the Bank of France, in Paris. By it any suspected person who approaches a cashier is instantly photographed the moment the latter touches an electric button.

Where Water Breaks Ice.

In the arctic regions the ice is so cold that it will break in pieces if water be thrown upon it, as boiling water causes glass to break. This is because the ice is so much colder than the water.

HAS A QUEER HOBBY.

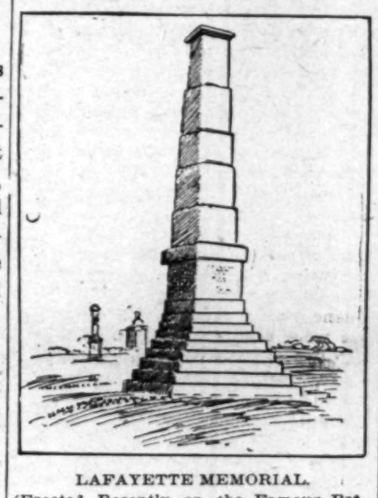
Pennsylvania Capitalist's Fad Is Erecting Monuments.

His Latest Donation to the Public Is a Shaft on Brandywine Battlefield, Erected in Honor of Lafayette.

Like Andrew Carnegie, John G. Taylor, of West Chester, Pa., intends to dispose of a large share of his wealth while he is yet alive; but instead of investing it in libraries or schools he is building monuments on the Brandywine battlefield. He refused to tell how much he has spent in this way, but competent judges say the statues and shafts which he has erected have cost fully $50,000. He has just completed his most elaborate monument, a memorial to Gen. Lafayette, built of granite at a cost of $8,000. Already he is planning other designs to honor the various commanders who participated in the battle.

Mr. Taylor, who is about 70 years old, according to the Philadelphia Times, was formerly a broker and private banker in West Chester, and when he retired from business several years ago, his fortune, while not counted by millions, was more than ample for his needs. His wife and child and several relatives were buried in the cemetery at the Birmingham meeting house, on the picturesque hills along the Brandywine, several miles south of West Chester, and at this spot Mr. Taylor spent most of his leisure moments. He endeavored to interest others in the project of preserving the historic remains at Birmingham, but the staid Quaker community was slow to become enthusiastic over a matter so purely sentimental.

It is true that in 1895 the school children of Chester county collected about $300 with which the Historical society of the county was commissioned to erect a marker at the spot where Lafayette was shot. For this sum a monument was secured that was rather



LAFAYETTE MEMORIAL.
(Erected Recently on the Famous Battlefield of Brandywine.)

imposing in design, but it was constructed of terra cotta. Dedication exercises were held on September 11, 1895, the anniversary of the battle. Not long afterward, under the influence of the storms that swept the exposed hillside, the terra cotta monument began to crumble, and it is now in ruins.

When Mr. Taylor began his work of building monuments he first provided suitable memorials for his wife and child. Three statues, made in Italy, of the best white marble of that country, were erected on the Taylor plot, one being a life size figure of his wife, another representing Jesus Christ, and the third being a group consisting of the Virgin Mary and two cherubim. These statues were incased in glass and placed on massive pedestals of glazed brick.

Last year Mr. Taylor endeavored to enlist the cooperation of the state legislature in erecting a monument to Lafayette on the battlefield. He offered to bear most of the expense, merely asking the state to give a share so that the project might not appear to be entirely an individual enterprise. The appropriation, however, was not granted. Undismayed, Mr. Taylor proceeded with his plans, and under his supervision the monument has now been completed. It consists of a column of granite cubes, reaching the height of 25 feet. The granite was quarried at St. Peter's, in the northwestern part of Chester county. The monument is so arranged that if desirable a statue of Lafayette may be placed on the top. On the sides are inscribed two extracts from an address delivered by Lafayette at West Chester on the occasion of his visit in 1825. One is the following toast:

"May the blood spilled by thousands with equal merit in the cause of independence and freedom be to ensuing generations an eternal pledge of unalloyed republicanism, federal unity, public prosperity and domestic happiness."

The other quotation is as follows:

"The honor to have mingled my blood with that of many other American soldiers on the heights of Brandywine has been to me a source of pride and delight."

Mr. Taylor's monuments, remarkable in themselves, are the more conspicuous because they stand in a Quaker cemetery. Originally the Friends' doctrine of extreme simplicity permitted the erection of no markers whatever at the graves of their dead. In modern times, however, they have tolerated the low headstones now common in their graveyards. At Birmingham, in addition to this, a tract is set apart for those who do not choose to adhere rigidly to Quaker methods of burial, and it is in this section that Mr. Taylor's monuments are placed.

GOVERNOR OF ARIZONA.

Col. Brodie, New Chief Executive of the Territory, Has Had an Interesting Career.

A. O. Brodie, the veteran rough rider, who has recently been appointed governor of Arizona territory, was graduated from West Point in 1870, and promoted to a second lieutenancy in the same year. He served on frontier duty up to 1877, when he resigned from the service. In 1871 he was especially commended for gallantry in action with the Apaches, and was recommended for brevet by Gen. Crook for services against the same tribe in 1872-73.

When the Spanish-American war broke out he organized the Arizona

COL. A. O. BRODIE.
(Veteran "Rough Rider" and Governor of Arizona Territory.)

quota of the First United States cavalry, familiarly known as the rough riders. He organized, drilled and equipped the first squadron of the regiment at San Antonio, Tex., in May, 1898. He was wounded in the action of Las Guasimas, Cuba, on June 24, his forearm being shattered by a Mauser bullet. In this engagement he was in command of the left flank.

In August he was made a lieutenant colonel of his regiment. He was especially commended by Gens. Shafter, Wheeler, Young and Wood and Col. Roosevelt.

After Brodie left the regular army he worked for a time as a day laborer in the mines of Arizona. His climb to the top, however, was rapid, and a few years later he was put in charge of the great Walnut Grove dam, on the Hassayampa river, north of Wickenburg. In 1884 when the dam was about completed, an immense flood washed it out, causing the loss of 80 lives and damaging property worth millions of dollars in the valley below. Brodie's promised wife was the sole survivor of her family, who were camped below the dam. She escaped by climbing a cliff, and a few minutes later became Mrs. Brodie.

GEORGE P. WETMORE.

Rhode Island's Junior United States Senator Is a Man of Great Wealth.

Hon. George Peabody Wetmore is sure of a seat in the United States senate from Rhode Island until 1906. He happened to be born in England while his parents were there on a European trip. He was graduated from Yale in 1867, and from the Columbia law school two years later. He was

GEORGE P. WETMORE.
(Junior United States Senator from Rhode Island.)

elected governor of his state in 1885, and served until his defeat by "Honest John" Davis in 1887. As a candidate for United States senator in 1889 he was defeated, but he tried again in 1894 and won. He is now serving his second term as a member of the upper branch of congress at Washington. The family fortune was established in the West Indies and China trade years ago. In reality he is more of a New Yorker than a Rhode Islander to-day.

How Music Affects Animals.

The effect of music on animals was recently tested by a violinist in a Berlin menagerie. The influence of the violin was greatest on the puma, which became much excited when quicksteps were played, but was soothed by slower measures. Wolves showed an appreciative interest, lions and hyenas were terrified, leopards were unconcerned, and monkeys stared in wonder at the performer.

Pigs as Farm Workers.

Pigs harnessed to little wagons, are made to do farm work in some of the agricultural districts of China.

Frigate Bird's Endurance.

It is said that the frigate bird can fly an entire week without stopping to rest.

DOG WON'T FORGIVE.

Hunter Is Paying Penalty for Losing His Temper.

Fancy Was the Best Pointer in Louisiana Until Her Master Struck Her—Now She Dislikes Him Intensely.

The mental status of Fancy, a female pointer belonging to James Mellish, of Arkana, La., is a warning to every gunman to treat his dogs with continuous and appreciative kindness.

Fancy is a wonder in her way. She has no great speed and prefers close range to covering a large territory, but finds plenty of birds mainly because she is old enough to have learned where birds are at certain times of day.

Instead of tearing miles over bare surface, where there is no quail and never has been one, she noses gently along rail fences overgrown with briars, goes down the edges of weed-grown ditches, or, if hunting in woods, selects ground that has feed on it.

She has a fine nose and as a worker after single birds has few superiors. It used to be a common thing with Mellish, aided by Fancy, to find a bevy of quail, flush it, get a bird or two out of it, mark it down in broom-sedge, or on an acre of close-standing dried weeds, and then get it out bird after bird, leaving only enough for seeds.

In this work the dog would come down with her nose within two feet of the quail and stand as steadily as a rock while it was kicked out and killed.

She is also a great retriever, following winged birds sometimes for a quarter of a mile, trailing them remorselessly, and bringing them in so delicately mouthed that scarce a feather was ruffled. Mellish would not have taken $200 for her, and talked about her a good deal to brother sportsmen.

One day in early March, says the New York Sun, he was shooting over a field which had not been plowed in

WENT HOME AT HER LEISURE.

the spring. With him was a 15-year-old boy, a neighbor's son, able to kill one bird in five. They had but the one dog.

This boy had marked down a couple of quail 300 yards away and Fancy went with him to work them out. Meanwhile Mellish accidentally flushed a bevy of 15 which pitched a little distance away.

He called to the dog, not wishing to give the birds a chance to run far, a trick they have late in the season. Fancy heard him distinctly, but liked the boy and paid no attention.

Mellish called until he was red in the face. Then he resorted to his dog whistle and blew and blew.

Just then Fancy found one of the birds, and the boy flushed it and missed it, as she expected he would. She went on calmly to hunt for the other one.

Mellish, naturally an impatient man, lost his temper. He started toward her on a trot. The day was warm, and by the time he reached her he was furious.

He siezed a corn stalk still standing and pulled it up. Attached to the roots was a couple of pounds of soft earth. He swung the stalk over his head and brought it down violently, striking her on the side and knocking her over and over.

She did not growl at him, or show her teeth. She simply picked herself up and without one backward glance, went home at her leisure.

From that day she has not hunted for Mellish. She will not follow him to the field or about the place.

He whistles to her in vain. She will not permit him to pet her, nor take food from his hand. She is not afraid of him, but simply dislikes him intensely.

Most of her time is spent at the home of the boy. Mellish is in hope that she will get over her anger by the time the autumn season opens, but there is little chance of it.

Real Motherly Tom-Cat.

B. F. Steele, of Tallmage, Ky., owns a tomcat in which the kidnaping and paternal streaks are equally developed. A week ago his little daughter heard a noise in the kitchen woodbox, and investigating it, found Sir Thomas, the family's four-year-old Maltese cat, snugly ensconced with two young kittens as his companions. Whether their mother was foully assassinated and Sir Thomas had himself appointed godfather, or whether he had become a feline Pat Crowe is a mystery that the Steeles have not been able to answer. At any rate Sir Thomas has taken tender care of them, divided his food with the little fellows, and frequently brings them a tender little mouse for a dessert. No other cat has been seen on the premises, and where the godfather of the twins found them is a mystery.

NICE OLD GENTLEMAN.

New King of Saxony Is Interested in Military Affairs, Politics and the Fine Arts.

The new king's full name is Frederick August George Ludwig Wilhelm Maximilian Earl Maria Nepomuk Baptist Xaxier Cyriakus Romanus. He was born at Pillnitz, August 8, 1832, and is four years younger than the late King Albert, who was his brother. He received a thorough military training and graduated at the Bonn university.

In the German war he commanded the Second Saxony infantry division. As commander of the First Saxon division he distinguished himself in the war of 1870-71. When Albert became

KING GEORGE OF SAXONY.
(Popular in Military, Art and Educational circles.)

king, Prince George was made commander in chief, and in 1888 he was appointed a Prussian field marshal by Emperor William II. He was married on May 11, 1859, to Infanta Maria of Portugal. She died in 1884. Six children were born to them.

King George has taken an active interest in the politics of his country, and has filled many important government posts, figuring prominently in the tax reform laws. No important changes are expected to follow his succession.

The new king of Saxony is known for his military tastes and considerate treatment of private soldiers. He sternly put down the mistreatment of soldiers by officers and severely punished petty brutalities on the part of subalterns and noncommissioned officers. His secret decree on the subject, in 1891, attracted great attention when the Vorwaerts divulged it. The king is a capable musician, plays the piano has good taste and technical finish, and often gives musical parties at his house, where he and his daughter, Princess Mathilde, play duets. King George has attended chamber music concerts assiduously, and is the patron of many musical undertakings.

THE ADMIRAL CHUCKLED.

Head of Bureau of Navigation Had an Amusing Exerience with a Fresh Interviewer.

Deservedly or otherwise Admiral Crowninshield has the reputation of being grim and unpleasant in his bearing toward newspaper men. One day a correspondent, a newcomer in Washington, called upon Secretary Long at the navy department in order to obtain from that official, whom he knew personally, an introduction to Crowninshield, then head of the bureau of navigation. Long was out but Crowninshield sat beside his chief's desk awaiting the secretary's return. The correspondent mistook the bureau

ADMIRAL CROWNINSHIELD.
(At Present in Command of the European Naval Station.)

chief for a private secretary and, according to a contributer to the Saturday Evening Post, addressed him thus:

"Is the grim destroyer in his conning tower?"

"The which in his what?" asked the admiral.

"The devourer of hapless literary wights—Crowninshield—is he in his office?"

"Not at present," responded the admiral, smilingly. "What did you wish to see him about?"

"Wanted a picture of his tremendous highness for publication in the—"

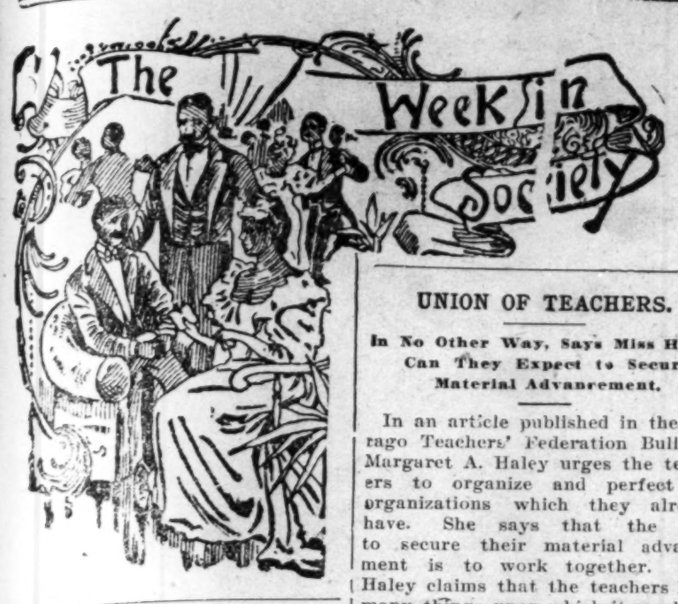
"I can tell you who his photographer is," chuckled the admiral, courteously writing down an address, "but I happen to know that Crowninshield hasn't any prints of himself on hand just at present, the popular clamor for his particular style of beauty having exhausted the supply."

Saloons Closed on Payday.

Taverns in Sweden are closed on Saturday, which is pay day, while the savings banks are kept open until midnight. This plan induces the workmen to invest their money where it will pay them interest, instead of in alcoholic stimulants.

Wild Duck's Swift Flight.

A wild duck can fly at a speed of 90 miles an hour.



Mrs. Matthews and family, of V st, are at Silcott.

Mrs. H. C. Bruce will visit Highland Beach in August.

Miss Georgia Simpson and sister are at Harper's Ferry.

Dr. Lucy Moten, of 4th street is summering at Middleburg.

Prof. and Mrs. Clarke have returned from Highland Beach.

You can buy dinner on the grounds at the Pen and Pencil Club Picnic.

The reception tendered Mrs. Grace Shimm Cummings in Baltimore was largely attended.

Mrs. I. Ledbetter, of 6th street, north east, is spending the summer in Alstead, New Hampshire.

Mrs. Nettie Powell wife of Mr. Jesse Powell will leave the city for the East in a few days on a visit to her mother.

Mrs. Nalle, accompanied by her daughter, Miss Blanche and Miss Maud Johnson left the city on Wednesday for Laytonsville where they will remain until September.

Mrs. O. Williams, of Le Droit Park left the city on Wednesday for North Carolina, where she will join her little daughter, Vivian' who has been the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Leary.

HOOKS FOR BABIES.

Barbarous Custom Which Is Still in Vogue in Certain Districts of France.

It seems incredible that in the twentieth century women living in a civilized country should treat their infants in the manner in which they do in certain districts in France.

When they are obliged to leave their infants alone for an hour or so they never fail to place them out of harm's way by hanging them either from the ceiling or from one of the walls of the room. They have a rope with a loop for this purpose, and all they

WHEN MAMMA GOES OUT.
(Children Suspended from Ceiling or Wall by French Mothers.)

have to do is to fasten the rope to the cradle or clothes of the child and then place the loop over the hook, which is always fixed at a considerable distance from the ground.

That infants in such a cramped position are not comfortable can readily be seen; indeed, it is said that many of these unfortunate little creatures are seriously injured through such treatment. Happily, this barbarous custom is not as much in vogue now as it was some years ago.

Marriage Premium Withdrawn.

To promote marriages in Servia all young persons having at least 2,000 dinars in the government savings bank receive a handsome premium from the bank on their wedding day. The consequence was that young folks rushed into matrimony to repent at leisure, and often, as soon as the money was spent, they sued for divorce. As the plan did not seem likely to bring an increase of population, the generous premium has been withdrawn.

Not on the Grand Jury.

Here is the way a Pawnee county man confessed at a revival meeting in Kansas. He had been pressed to repent, and finally got up and said: "Dear friends, I feel the spirit moving in me to talk and tell what a bad man I've been, but I can't do it while the grand jury is in session." "The Lord will forgive you," shouted the preacher. "I guess that's right," said the penitent, "but he ain't on the grand jury."

Thought-Weighing Machine.

A thought-weighing machine has been invented by Prof. Mosso, an Italian physiologist, the rush of blood to the head turning the scale. The machine is so delicate that it can measure the difference in the exertion needed to read Greek from that required for Latin.

UNION OF TEACHERS.

In No Other Way, Says Miss Haley, Can They Expect to Secure Material Advancement.

In an article published in the Chirago Teachers' Federation Bulletin, Margaret A. Haley urges the teachers to organize and perfect the organizations which they already have. She says that the way to secure their material advancement is to work together. Miss Haley claims that the teachers have many things upon which it would be fitting for them to spend their energy in making better for the teacher.

"Teachers need not be told to-day that they need better salaries, more

MARGARET A. HALEY.
(Chicago Schoolma'am Who Wants to Unite Teachers Into a Union.)

permanent tenure of office and provision for old age, before they can do their best work," reads the article. "Nor are arguments needed to convince every teacher of the power of organization in this day of combination and concentration."

In speaking of the tendency to organize Miss Haley says that the need has been felt and is rapidly growing in the large cities. "But," she says, "teachers have been the last class to organize effectively for the purpose of bettering their material conditions. One of the greatest obstacles in the way of such organization has been the sentimental notion that teachers degrade themselves and their profession by working individually or collectively for 'mere material advancement.'

"What is needed now is some demonstration of the power of intelligent, well-directed organized effort among teachers to convince teachers and others, not that organization is professional, but that through organization alone can teachers rid themselves of the reactionary condition in and out of the schoolroom which are crushing out their lives, and those of the children, and counteracting the results of their best efforts."

LACERATED BY WOLF.

Woman Badly Bitten by Brute of the Gray Timber Variety Which Was a Farm Pet.

News has reached Clinton, Ia., that Mrs. William Carhurst, residing at Lyndon, a small town in Illinois, a few miles east of the Mississippi river, was badly if not fatally injured in a terrific fight with a tame wolf. The result of her injuries will not be known until all danger of blood-poisoning is past.

The wolf had been the pet of the family for three years. It was captured when a cub and was as tame as a kitten. Mrs. Carhurst went into the yard to call her son, who was working near. As she stepped out of the door she noticed the wolf, which had been tied in the yard, was loose. Mrs. Carhurst called the animal by name, and it hurried to her. She noticed at once that the animal was in an ugly mood and attempted to catch hold of its collar just as it made a spring at her.

The frightened woman screamed for help and her son came to her assistance. Before he could give any assistance the wolf had thrown the woman down and had badly bitten her in several places. The young man grabbed the animal by the throat and pulled it off his mother, who by this time was unconscious. A terrific struggle ensued between the wolf and the boy. The plucky lad clung to the animal's throat until his father, who was working in the field nearby, came to the boy's assistanee and shot the wolf.

Mrs. Carhurst was carried into the house and a physician was summoned. An examination revealed four wounds, the teeth in each instance penetrating to the bone

The wolf was of the large gray timber species and was of immense size. It had been well fed and grew rapidly, and was much larger than the members of the same family which are compelled to secure their own living.

Paid to Do Their Worst.

It is customary, at the continuous performance theaters, for the managers to send on the stage, toward the close of the afternoon, some of the most wretched actors. These are called "chasers," and they are instructed to do their best—which is their worst—to weary the patrons, and chase them out of the house, to make room for the night audience.

HIS INNOCENT CLIENT.

Young Lawyer Explains Why the Man Was Afraid to Leave the Courtroom.

The first case tried by a newly admitted member of the bar at Richmond was that of a negro accused of stealing a pair of trousers. The limb of the law was much interested by the pitiful story of the alleged culprit, and, believing him innocent, undertook his defense free of charge.

The prisoner pleaded not guilty and the young lawyer waxed eloquent and told in a very earnest and impressive way just how a man because of his color has little show in the police court.

"I GOT HIS PANTS ON."

His client, he continued, was a man of good character and from every point in the case, which he had carefully considered, he was morally certain his client was innocent of the charge; that he did not ask for mercy, but only justice. The young man's eloquence was not without effect, however, since a verdict of "not guilty" was given.

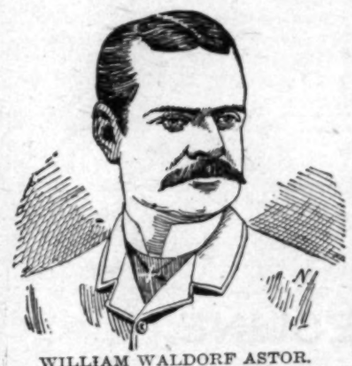
The man's exultation was felt by all throughout the courtroom with the exception of the prisoner, who still sat in the dock in a stupefied manner as if he were glued to his chair.

The judge said: "Johnson, you are free," but Johnson made no effort to vacate that chair. His lawyer came over to him and told him: "Man I have brought you liberty, you are free," but not once did the prisoner move and the lawyer's eloquence was once more taxed and he told Johnson again: "You are free; go out and breathe the fresh air; let the sun shine upon you and hear the birds sing, and—" "Yes, boss, I knows all about the 'fresh air, the sun and the birds singing,' but I can't move a step until dat man gets out of here, kaze right dis minute I got his pants on."

Latest official report has it that William Waldorf Astor will be created Baron Cliveden of Taplow.

Mr. Astor's ennoblement is certainly unpopular and causes resentment even in ministerial circles. But it is said for him, half apologetically, that he contributed $250,000 to the last tory election fund and will give as much before the next general election. The man whose tremendous fortune was made in the country that thrashed George III. is a tory of tories.

It is authoritatively said, too, that Mr. Astor will sell the Pall Mall Gazette at the moment of his ennoble-



WILLIAM WALDORF ASTOR.
(Former American, to Be Created Lord Cliveden of Taplow.)

ment. He does not consider the proprietorship of a newspaper to be consistent with the dignity of a peer of England. Nevertheless, Lord Glenesk, proprietor of the Morning Post, is one of the ablest, most respected members of the house of lords. Lord Glenesk has never dreamed of selling his newspaper, which, however, is an extremely valuable property.

Formerly there was a legal obstacle to the creation of naturalized Englishmen as peers. This law was enacted to prevent William of Orange from making lords of a number of his Dutch friends.

Cliveden, from which Mr. Astor will take his title, is the splendid seat which he bought from the duke of Westminster several years ago. The price was then said to be $1,250,000.

Cliveden is on the Thames, between Taplow and Cookham, about seven miles above Windsor. The famous mansion towers behind the rippling Thames for a mighty moat. Long the woods of Cliveden were the resort of many a river picnic, but Mr. Astor felt compelled to close the grounds to visitors.

Cliveden house has been written largely in English history. Perhaps the most celebrated of its owners was George Villiers, second duke of Buckingham, the witty and profligate favorite of Charles II. The addition of the words "of Taplow" to the new title will, as usual, further individualize it. It has long been known that Mr. Astor's social and political ambitions pointed straight to the house of peers. The head of the house of Astor, he chose to expatriate himself in 1895 and take up his residence in England.

LEADER OF SCIENCE.

Lord Kelvin and Some of His Greatest Accomplishments.

He Comes from a Family of Mathematicians and Scholars—His Work in Connection with the Atlantic Cable.

Lord Kelvin, who is considered the most distinguished leader in what has been preeminently a century of scientific discovery and advancement, has been visiting the United States as the guest of George Westinghouse, of electrical fame.

Lord Kelvin, or as he is often termed the "Grand Old Man of Science," was born in Ireland in 1824. Shortly after his birth his family removed to Scotland, and his father, Prof. James Thomson, is remembered by the alumni of Glascow university as a skilled teacher of mathematics. William Thomson was eight years of age when his father was appointed to a professorship in the university, and two or three years later he began to attend classes himself. His proficiency in mathematics and natural philosophy was early noticeable, but under the careful supervision of his father, who valued, too, the "Old Humanities," he had the benefit in addition of sound logical and linguistic training. While a boy he was interested in such subjects as the "Figure of the Earth" and "Fourier's Theory of the Flow of Heat." While a student at Cambridge, Lord Kelvin was noted for his enthusiastic participation in all college sports. He was a fellow at St. Peter's, Oxford, and afterward entered the laboratory of the famous Regnault in Paris.

In 1846 Lord Kelvin was called to the chair of natural philosophy, and from that day to this the history of his life work has been the history of the progress of physical science. There is no department of that science which has not been enriched and extended by his discoveries and there is hardly any theory in dynamics, heat or electricity of which his theorems, experimental discoveries and views do not form a fundamental part. In the domain of physical optics, Lord Kelvin has recently shed much light on disputed questions by his lectures and papers.

It was, however, Lord Kelvin's work—then Prof. Thomson—in connection with the Atlantic cable which brought him international fame. When in 1856 Cyrus Field began to realize his gigantic dream of uniting England and America by submarine cable, a difficulty arose, which threatened to defeat the project. It was found that electric signals passing through the cable did not attain the speed hoped for, and the financial success of the scheme, in consequence, was questioned. Many theories were advanced by scientists as a solution for the problem, but it remained for Prof. Thomson to enunciate the law of retardation, and so enable engineers to design a cable which would give a satisfactory speed to messages. The directors of the Atlantic Telegraph company speedily recognized his ability and engaged his services. It is no exaggeration to say that he contributed more than any other scientific man to the ultimate success of that enterprise which was so repeatedly baffled and postponed. On returning to the old world Prof. Thomson was knighted for his distinguished service and became Lord Kelvin.

It is unquestioned that he has done much for electrical science by introducing accurate methods of measurement. His most useful inventions in this line are two valuable electro-meters, and a perfected type of his original invention, the "mirror instrument," which has become the mainstay of the electrician. A machine for predicting the level of the tides in any part of the world is probably his chief non-electrical invention.

Lord Kelvin has carried on a large number of experimental and mathematical researches in every department of natural philosophy, but the true citadel of his genius lies in his faculty of of applying mathematics to the solution of physical problems.

Lord Kelvin was endowed with every requisite for success—power of will, intellect and energy—and is in reality one of the world's great men. As the Napoleon of natural philosophy, his name will go down to posterity with Galileo, Newon and Pascal.

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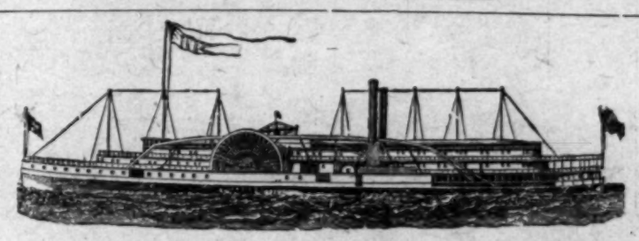

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Ridiculous Experience of a New York Lawyer in Passing Through the Amazon Valley.

A New York lawyer, who has traveled a great deal, had an encounter with an anaconda, which he describes as follows:

"I was riding ahead of my party along a narrow road in the Amazon valley. My mount was a large white mule, whose only ambition in life seemed to be to bite and kill everyone he encountered. I do not know but what he was a more dangerous quadruped than any of the wild animals in the Matteo grosso. On either side of the road rose the forest. The branches of the trees met here and there over-

THE LAWYER SHIVERED.

head, so that the thoroughfare looked more like a verdant tunnel than a country road. Suddenly my mule stopped, dropped his ears, and turned his head about. Thinking that this was evidence of a desire on his part to bite my leg, I was about to whip him, when I noticed that he was shivering all over in an ague.

"I looked up and down the road, and then I shivered. Not more than 60 feet away a huge snake, half coiled around a bough which projected over the road, lay swinging and looking at me with a glare that was not at all assuring. I had left my rifle behind on a baggage mule, and had nothing with which to fight save a hunting knife. I drew this promptly from the scabbard, and, with the courage worthy of a better cause, used it as a spur upon my luckless steed, which turned and galloped for dear life in the opposite direction.

"I reached my party, got the rifle, and with my men galloped back to secure the constictor. The reptile and I must have had the same brand of bravery. He had dropped from the bough and vanished in the recesses of the jungle."

PEEPER WAS A CAT.

Bullets and Breath Wasted by Excited Suburbanites in Hunt for Supposed Man.

There was excitement in the aristocratic Franklin Hill section of Bloomfield, N. J., Saturday night, caused by a report that "Tom the Peeper" was engaged in his nefarious work. A hurry call was sent to the police station, and Chief Collins dispatched Policeman Gilbert C. Smith to the scene on a bicycle.

One resident said he had shot twice at the intruder. While Smith was trying to locate the peeper a servant in one of the households ran breathlessly

HAD HEARD STRANGE NOISES.

up to him and said that she had heard noises on the tin roof above the attic where she slept. The policeman, armed with club and revolver, climbed up the stairs to the roof.

It was pitch dark, and at first he could see nothing. Finally he saw glaring at him from the limbs of a tree close to the house a pair of eyes.

"Come out of there and surrender," shouted Smith.

There was no response, and Smith fired a shot over the head of the mysterious object. The moment he did so a big black form shot out of the tree and landed on the roof beside him.

It was a cat.

Cat Fed Its Mistress.

Mrs. S. H. Love, of Oral Oaks, Nottoway county, Va., vouches for this story of animal intelligence and devotion, and Mrs. Love is the wife of a Baptist minister. For some time she has been in very poor health. Her cat seemed to realize her condition and seemed also to decide that something must be done about it. Instinct taught the animal that something to tempt the appetite was of the first importance, so she turned her attention in this direction. Almost every day since that time the cat has brought a partridge or young rabbit and laid it at the feet of her mistress.

TRICKED THE JUDGE

How Police Court Lawyer Wor Magistrate's Sympathy.

Made His Honor, Who Is a War Veteran, Believe That the Tramp Before Him Was a Grand Army Comrade.

Anyone who wants to get into trouble with City Magistrate Joseph Pool, says the New York Sun, can do it by insulting the Grand Army o the Republic or any of its members in his presence. The converse of the proposition is also true; if you want Magistrate Pool on your side, stand up for the grand army every time At least, this is what is said by people who have observed the course of events in the police courts.

City Magistrate Pool is a grand army man himself. While he was trying to build up a law practice at Cleveland the civil war began. He enlisted in the Sixty-seventh Ohio infantry, served for a time as second lieutenant and was then appointed an assistant quartermaster. At the end of the fighting he was mustered out with the rank of brevet lieutenant colonel. That explains his interest in the men who fought in that war. And on one occasion at least the magistrate has been tricked—if the stories the lawyers tell are true—into what he supposed was an act of sympathy and charity toward an old comrade in arms.

It was a dull day in the police court. Among the prisoners was an unfortunate whom the police would class as "an ordinary bum." He had been arrested for intoxication. One of the lawyers got hold of the prisoner and properly instructed him and also tipped off the policeman who arrested him.

Then they put a badge made out of a cent and a piece of chewing gum on the man's lapel. The cent made a good enough G. A. R. emblem to deceive anybody who was nearsighted.

"OLD G. A. R. MAN."

The prisoner's turn at the bar of justice came at last.

"Old G. A. R. man," said the lawyer to the magistrate in a tone full of suppressed compassion.

"Well well, old G. A R. man, eh?" repeated the magistrate, leaning over toward the prisoner. "Well, this is a pleasure. Old G. A. R. man, eh? what regiment were you in?"

The prisoner, prompted by the lawyer in a whisper replied:

"The ——th Ohio, yer honor."

"Indeed!" said the magistrate. "Why, I was in an Ohio regiment myself. Who was your colonel?"

"Col. Brown," was the prompted reply.

"Col. Brown? Why, I don't remember him. What battles were you in?"

"Tell him," whispered the lawyer, "that you were in several—Gettysburg, sure."

The answer was repeated.

"Why, your regiment wasn't at Gettysburg," said the magistrate.

"Tell him you were transferred to a Massachusetts regiment," whispered the lawyer.

"Well, you see it wuz this way, yer honor: I wuz transferred out of me regiment into a Massachusetts regiment," was the reply of the prisoner.

The magistrate asked a few more questions of the prisoner.

"Well," he said finally, "this poor man looks as if he needed a bath. Here, officer, take this five-dollar bill and take this man somewhere where he can get a good bath, a good meal and a clean bed."

The prisoners eyes glistened.

"The prisoner," continued the magistrate, "is honorably discharged. You are honorably discharged. Go and sin no more."

As soon as the policeman got his prisoner to the street he booted him half a block and then the policeman, the lawyer and the rest of the court crowd had several rounds of drinks at the corner saloon out of the five dollar bill.

And they say that the magistrate had as much fun out of the story as anybody when they told it to him a week later. But it didn't break his faith in the grand army man.

Sitting Hen Protects Purse.

Mrs. William Riggs, of Marion, Ind., caused the arrest of Frank Garigus on the charge of stealing a pocketbook containing $40, which she alleged was hidden under a tub at her home. While Garigus was awaiting trial Mrs. Riggs remembered having transferred the pocketbook from the tub and of placing it under a sitting hen in the barn. An officer was dispatched to the Riggs home and found the pocketbook under the faithful hen, who made a game fight to prevent the officer from taking it.

Sympathy Between Twins.

Twin brothers living in Anderson county, Kentucky, are said by the Harrodsburg Democrat to have married sisters, and to each have been born three children of the same sex, with the same birthdays. One felt a shock in his foot and said the other, who was ten miles away, had been hurt. In the evening the absent brother turned up with three mashed toes. The twins weigh the same to an ounce.

Treasures of the Aztecs.

Explorers in the neighborhood of Chama, Guatemala, have discovered treasures during their excavations in search of mines. Coins and jewels, decorating corpses buried centuries ago by the Aztecs and Montezumas, have been found. So far the valuables have amounted to over $50,000. Workmen on the Chama plantations are wild, and have abandoned their usual work to hunt for buried treasures.

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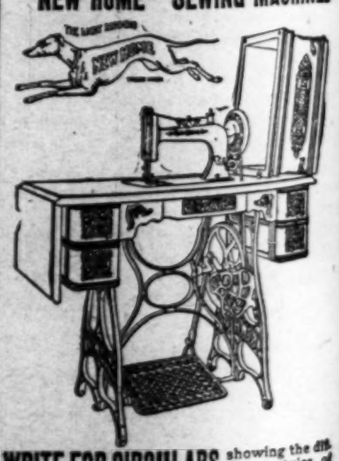

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I shall in this column endeavor to answer all correspondence that may be sent and urgently request young ladies to read this column, and any questions that they wished answered please send them in before Saturday of each week.

By Miss May Clematis.

G. M. Why should some people imgine that their beauty is all that is needed? Beauty is only skin deep and will soon fade.

Nesse. Be wise as well as discreet. Wisdom will soon develop itself as well as discretion.

R. I. T. It is the industrious girl that is not afraid of work. The only girl that will not work is the lazy one. Honest girls will work always.

D. I. You were informed last week of what was best to read during summer months. Good literature will improve your mind.

Daisy. It is the woman with a stable mind that wins admiration and respect.

N. T. True nobility in a woman is often taken for false pride.

S. T. Think well and act wisely and you will never go astray.

R. O. You may not act always to please some people but honesty is bound to win admiration.

Ione. It is not wise to talk too freely to any one. You should be discreet in all things.

J. T. Be satisfied with what you have, you may loose all some day. Friends can stand some things some times, but not every thing all the time. Some people never see their mistake until it is too late,

Isabella. Never impose upon your friends because you will loose in the end. True friends will not impose upon each other.

Don't talk about your companions because others do.

Never show anxiety for an escort.

Don't go where you are not wanted, neither should you associate with your inferiors.

Think well and act accordingly.

Be true to your friends and never deceive any one.

Fresh girls are soon divorced.

Why should you displease your neighbor.

It is the noble girl who will not deceive.

Mable. True friendship is stronger than false love.

E. You should never put your momentary friends ahead of your true and devoted friends.

H. Be careful and watch those who pretend friendship.

Ollie. We kiss those whom we love and shake hands with our friends.

Sella. Don't allow sudden elevation change your disposition, neither should you allow false smiles influence you in the least.

Norah. It is the true hearted girl who speaks well of you and hides your faults.

False friends will flatter you and extend to you false wishes.

Nellie. Don't immagine that you are pretty because others tell you so.

Ida. Red hose denotes vulgarity and no lady of refined taste will wear them.

Ida. Flashy dressing will be seen on flashy girls. Dress with taste and in goods that are becoming.

D. M. There are birds that fly high and there is a time that they must come to the ground for succor.

O. T. Company is good sometimes but after it is all over count your loses and profits.

Delia. Don't go in anything unless you are benefitted.

N. T. If your condition is to be benefitted you had better marry. Don't marry for the name, the results are bad.

I. M. Divorces are numerous and marriages are frequent.

Nillie. Your friend, if what you say is true, can be trusted.

M. R. Your mother is your best friend and you should never desert her.

Nettie. Be truthful always and never be persuaded, by false friends.

L. T. It is always best to do what you think is best and never allow yourself to be influenced by others.

E. D. If you have an opinion of your own be sure to exercise it. It is best that you think for yourself.

Emma. Read good books while you are on your vacation.

Age Makes Brittle Bones.

The bones of aged people have more lime in them than those of the young, and therefore are more brittle. This is the reason why a fall is apt to be more hurtful to an elderly person than to a young person.

Better Than Insecticides.

Electric lights, with basins of petroleum below them, are now used in France to destroy night-flying insects that injure vineyards. In one basin 4,868 insects were recently caught in one night.

EXPELLED BY SNAKES.

Wisconsin Farmer Obliged to Demolish Dwelling That Harbored Too Many Rattlers.

Terrified and discouraged by the presence of numerous rattlesnakes, Muns Helgerson, a farmer, who lived with his family in an out of the way place in the town of Seneca, Wis., has torn down his new residence, erected two years ago, and moved back into his old home, half a mile away.

The new house had hardly been completed in the spring of the year when the presence of rattlers was noticed, and as fast as found they were dispatched. With the approach of summer, however, their numbers increased, and the household was greatly alarmed. Occasionally a snake would get into the house, although no one was bitten.

AN UGLY BEDFELLOW.

One evening recently, as the family were retiring for the night, the mother found a large snake lying on the bed. On another occasion in midday, while she was rocking the baby to sleep, the house cat gave an alarm, and a snake with 16 rattles, coiled up ready to strike, lay under the woman's chair. They were in the cellar daily, and could be heard climbing between the walls and on the ceiling overhead.

Last summer the family could stand it no longer, and as soon as spring opened moved to the old home on the other side of the farm, but returned in the fall.

A rattlesnake den this spring was found in a sort of cave under the house, and although hundreds of reptiles have been killed around the door yard they seemed to be as numerous as ever, and Mr. Helgerson decided to demolish the dwelling and rebuild near the site of the old house.

GIRLS FIGHT A DUEL.

They Met in the Bois and Fought with Stilettos Until One Was Mortally Wounded.

According to the Paris correspondent of the St. Louis Globe-Democrat one of King Leopold's ballet girl friends, Gabrielle Fisson, known on the stage as Nana, fought a regular duel with her rival, Victorine Giot, who calls herself La Marquise. Both girls were in love with the same man, but this time it wasn't a case of revenue, for Leon Bournon, though a society man, has only an income of 500 francs per month. All the girls worship him for his shape and his mustache. The two women met on one of the boulevards and addressed each other in about the same words: "Thou lovest

"THOU LOVEST LEON."

Leon. I love him also. He can belong only to one of us. Hence, we must fight." After the theater Nana sent a male friend to La Marquise to arrange the meeting. As La Marquise had her seconds ready, they quickly came to an understanding. Meeting place—a corner in the Bois, where Count Boni and other hot-heads usually exploit their "affairs." Time—six next morning. Weapons—stilettos. Dress—naked to the waist, save silk corset cover or linen shift. No corsets. The duel came off as provided and lasted 90 seconds by the watch. It ended when La Marquise stumbled to the ground, with a jagged wound in her left breast. At the same moment mounted police agents appeared on the scene. The manager of the Folies, where the girls are engaged, had given the information. Nana allowed herself to be hustled off into a carriage, but the weapon was forced from her hand only after a struggle. Even then she begged that the blood of her enemy might be wiped off on her handkerchief as a souvenir. La Marquise will die. As the duel was arranged with all due formalities, seconds, physicians, etc., Nana will probably get off with a few months. "Never mind," she says; "when I come out I will have Leon."

IN TIME OF DANGER.

Many Lives Saved by What Is Called Presence of Mind.

Men, Women and Children Who Averted Death by Thinking and Acting Quickly—Story of a Canine Hero.

There are certain mysterious attributes of the human mind which baffle even the most searching scientific investigation. For instance, who can account with any degree of satisfaction for that mental condition inspired by emergency and commonly designated as presence of mind? Hundreds of lives are saved every year through the brain function which makes it possible for human beings to think and act quickly with seemingly supernatural powers, yet no one can say positively whether he possesses a mind so endowed until opportunity opens the way for a practical demonstation.

By considering cases where lives have been spared through presence of mind it will be seen that even in accidents of the most shocking character persons are snatched out of the jaws of death by the ability of the mind to remain active even under exceedingly trying conditions. Oftentimes it is the person who afterwards is heralded as a hero who displays wonderful presence of mind, and not infrequetly it is the victims themselves. But the general principle is the same in both cases. Another remarkable feature about the mental activity known as presence of mind is that it is as well developed in children as among grown persons.

This fact is proved by the heroic conduct of 6-year-old Edith Ruthem, of New Brunswick, N. J. The tot started from her home to take her small brother for a walk. The children passed directly in front of a rapidly approaching trolley car. The mother shrieked a warning and with wonderful coolness the little girl pushed her brother out of harm's way and then, unable to escape, jumped into the fender of the

LITTLE GIRL SAVES BROTHER.

car and hung on until the motorman, white with fright, brought it to a standstill. She was unhurt save for a slightly bruised side.

It was surely presence of mind that saved Kate Collins from a horrible death in a silk mill at Haverstraw. While working near a rapidly revolving machine her hair caught in the wheels and she was being drawn with terrifying swiftness to a frightful death when her presence of mind asserted itself and she grasped her hair with both hands and pulled with all her might, thus retarding its progress. Then she fainted and a young man, who also had presence of mind, rushed to the power wheels and threw off the belt.

The fact that Gregory McGregor, a master plumber of Elizabeth, N. J., was a thin man with presence of mind, also saved his life. He was crossing the iron girder bridge of the Jersey Central when an express train overtook him. To continue across the bridge was an impossibility, and there was no way for him to get out of the path of the train except by pressing himself tightly against the iron work of the bridge. The situation flashed across his mind in an instant, and, by accepting the one avenue of escape, he saved his life.

Animals are frequently no less heroes than human beings, and an incident of the recent burning of the steamer City of Pittsburg near Ogden Landing presents a striking illustration of this fact.

Michael Burt and his family took the steamer at Owensburg, Ky. It was a family of 13, and but one survives, a girl of ten years. When the family boarded the steamer a large Newfoundland dog followed them on the boat in spite of the fact that every effort was made to keep it off. When the animal saw that it would be forced to leave the steamer it ran in hiding until the boat was under way, and during the trip would sulk along and hide, afraid to come out for fear of punishment at the hands of the master or some member of the crew.

When the fire broke out on the steamer the dog saw members of the family perish, and finally the ten-year-old child, with whom it was accustomed to play, plunge into the water. The child had no sooner fallen than the faithful animal went after her, caught her dress in its teeth, and swam with her to the shore, where it kept watch until the child was taken in charge by rescuers.

Living is Cheap in Japan.

Six to eight dollars a month buys food, fuel and clothing for a family of five persons in Japan.

MASTER OF CEREMONIES.

Time Is at Hand When Such an Official Is Absolutely Needed at the White House.

The necessity for an official "master of ceremonies" to be connected with the state department, and whose services would be at the command of the chief executive, is becoming more and more apparent, says the St. Louis Globe-Democrat. Every foreign visitor's reception, every state dinner, every public exercise participated in by the president, and the congress emphasizes this necessity. The necessity is apparent at the big state funerals held at the national capital. The United States supreme court is jealous of its dignity and rank. The diplomatic corps is even more so. Individual members of the corps insist that the prerogatives of precedence be observed to the letter. The supreme court insists that, as one of the highest

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coordinate branches of the government, its members should rank with the members of the diplomatic corps. Members of the corps believe, because they are the personal representatives of their sovereigns or governments, they should rank next to the president of the United States. Embarrassments multiply at every state function. If a state dinner is to be given at the white house half a dozen officials of the state department must give hours of study to the relative rank of the guests to be invited and determine in what order they shall be seated. It is even necessary to trace the lineage of some of these diplomats of apparently equal rank back for two generations to discover which should rank the other.

Maj. Pruden, who died a few weeks ago and who was one of the assistant secretaries to the president, made a specialty of such things, but with his death his accumulated knowledge and experience was lost. At the funeral of Admiral Sampson the differences between the United States supreme court and the diplomatic corps were so grave that it became necessary to seat them respectively in seats exactly the same distance from the front and on opposite sides of the central aisle of the church where the ceremonies were held. This seemed to solve the problem until they each contended that they should be seated on the side of the aisle where the president and his cabinet were seated. A compromise had to be effected. The democratic tendency of the people in this country oppose them to a master of ceremonies. The republic of France has such a functionary, and the republic of the United States may have to come to it some day.

REAR ADMIRAL O'NEIL.

American Naval Officer Who Has Just Been Signally Honored by the German Emperor.

Rear Admiral Charles O'Neil, who, upon the personal invitation of Emperor William, will visit, with a special escort, all the shipbuilding yards and arsenals of Germany, is now in

ADMIRAL O'NEIL.
(American Naval Officer Who Is the Guest of Emperor William.)

Berlin as a delegate to the international shipbuilding convention. He is one of the most distinguished officers of the navy, and since 1897 has been chief of the naval bureau of ordnance. The admiral entered the navy in 1861 as master's mate on the Cumberland, and was present at the capture of Forts Hatteras and Clark in August of that year. He fought in the famous engagement with the Merrimac in 1862, and on that occasion rescued Lieut. Morris from drowning. He was promoted to the rank of rear admiral in April, 1901.

Long Sitting of Parliament.

The longest recorded sitting of the British house of commons was in 1881. On Monday, Jaunary 31, 1881, the house, having met at 3:45, continued sitting until Wednesday at 9:30—a continuous sitting of upward of 41½ hours. The next longest sitting occurred in 1877. On Tuesday, July 31, 1877, the house, having met at 3:45, continued sitting until Wednesday afternoon at 6:15, a period of 26½ hours.

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WOMAN FIGHTS SNAKE.

Kills Reptile in Cellar After an Exciting Experience Lasting Nearly a Whole Hour.

A woman fought with a snake in a dark cellar for nearly an hour in Philadelphia. The contest ended with the death of the reptile.

Mrs. George H. Smith, who lives at Jackson and Bridge streets, Frankfort, went into the cellar of her home to get some coal. She was just about to go upstairs when she heard a hissing sound, and, turning in the direction of the noise, saw two eyes gleam-

DEFENDED HERSELF NOBLY.

ing in a dark corner. The next instant a snake made for her.

Seizing a broom handle which lay by the stairs, the woman defended herself from the attack of the snake. At the same time she tried to strike the reptile with her club, but the snake was too quick for her.

Finally, after a struggle of nearly an hour, she drove the reptile into a corner and killed it with the club.

The reptile proved to be a water snake about three feet in length. How it got into the cellar is not known.

Never Heard Lord's Prayer.

If Hetty Williams, of Fort Scott, Kan., could have repeated the Lord's prayer she might have had one year less to serve in prison—but she couldn't. She confessed she never had even heard the prayer. She is a dashing and rather pretty young woman of the frontier who has been convicted of horse stealing. The evidence showed she was a professional. The court, moved by her youth, after having sentenced her to five years in the penitentiary, offered to reduce the term of four years if she would repeat the Lord's prayer as an indication that there was good ground in her heart in which to start a crop of reform. Hetty owned up frankly she didn't know a word of it. She will serve five years.

The Children of Drunkards.

A noted physician of Paris asserts that it is impossible for an habitual drunkard to have sound children.

Cost of Coronation Seats.

In connection with the news from London that the price of good windows commanding the coronation procession of Edward VII has gone up to something like $365, it may be noted that at the coronation of Edward I. the price of a seat was half a farthing; in Edward II.'s time a whole farthing was required; to see Edward III. cost a halfpenny. A good seat for Edward IV.'s procession cost two pence, and for Edward VI. the price was four pence. There is a big jump between VI. and VII.

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A Missouri horse dealer who went to Washington to sell horses is reported to have explained his ill-luck of disposing of his animals as follows: "The people travel these on cars run by cable or electricity and don't need draft or roadsters; they ride on bicycles and automobiles and don't need fast trotters; they gamble by wire and don't need race horses, and the government is run entirely by jackasses, so there you are."

City Items.

Take baskets and the children and go out early to the Pen and Pencil Club picnic, next Tuesday, July 22nd.

Pen and Pencil Club Picnic at Lake View Pard, Tuesday, July 22nd.

Miss Ella Perry of Le Droit Park is recovering rapidly from her recent illness.

The report of the Summer School at Hampton was received too late for publication. That and the Negro Conference will appear in next issue.

The newspaper boys will have another great picnic July 22nd.

Mr. Thaddius Field the polite and efficient messenger to the Director of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, has lately moved to his new home 1840 Vermont Avenue, northwest, As soon as the odds and ends can be put together in their new home they will take a flying visit to Atlantic City.

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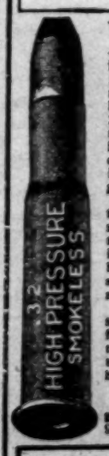

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